

“God Bless You”

Genesis 1:1-25

“In a very real sense, the book of Genesis is the most important book in the world; for it is the foundation upon which all the other sixty-five books of God’s written Word have been based.” Henry Morris

“I am destined for greatness.”

Genesis 1:21 “So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living and moving thing with which the water teems....and every winged bird.....and God saw that it was good. God bless them....”

Genesis 1:27 “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God bless them...”

Genesis 9:1 “God blessed Noah and his sons, saying to them, ‘Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth.’”

Genesis 12:2 “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. And all people on earth will be blessed through you.”

The word “blessing” means: To make whole by spoken words; to ask and call upon God’s divine favor; To wish a person well; to make happy and prosperous; to compliment, to praise.”

Principle: Blessing begins with God.

Principle: Genesis is about God.

Principle: Life is not about me, life is about God.

Colossians 1:16 “Everything got started in Him and finds its purpose in Him.”

Principle: You were made by God and for God – and until you understand that, life will never make sense.

Principle: Genesis is a selective telling of history by Moses.

Facts about God:

1. God creates

“He is the creator – I am His creation.”

Hebrews 11:3 “By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.”

“The Bible is not preeminently concerned with telling us how the heavens go. The Bible is, instead, most concerned with telling us how to go to Heaven.” Galileo

Two primary names for God:

- Elohim: When it speaks of God universally in relation to the earth and all the people and the animals, people who believe in God and people who don't.
- Jehovah: When it speaks of God's relationship with his people that he loves.

Psalms 14:1 “The fool says in his heart, there is no God.”

Two words for “create”:

- Bara – to make something for the first time
- Asot – to prepare something for use

Principle: God makes out of nothing

2. God forms

3. God fills

4. God blesses

Two take-aways:

- Receive blessings from God
- Give God's blessings to others